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CANCEL CLAIMS 1-9

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9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, further comprising the step of:

evaluating an Intelligent Network Application Part (INAP) part of a signaling message part of the IN query for a determination of a to determine the network operator.

11. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, further comprising the step of:

evaluating a Signaling Connection Control Part (SCCP) part of a signaling message part of the IN query for a determination of a to determine the network operator.

12. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, wherein said the IN query is being transmitted by utilizing a signaling system no. 7.

13. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 17, wherein said the IN query is being transmitted by utilizing an Internet Protocol (IP) based network.

14. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 10, further comprising the steps of:

responding to the IN query via a Number-Portability the NP server stating [a] routing information relating to a gateway of the net[ ]work operator; provided that the received IN call is not being initiated in the a basic network based on the intelligent network, and if so; passing the received IN call to said the gateway.

15. (Currently Amended) A system for handling a network call, comprising:  
a server;  
a switching center;  
an intelligent network (IN) with a service platform; and  
a basic network being based on the intelligent network;

said the server receiving an IN query from the switching center of the basic network,  
said the IN query relating to a call received by the basic network, said the server utilizing  
information contained in the IN query for determining whether the intelligent network  
supports the call, and if so, said the server passing the IN query to the service platform;  
wherein the IN query appears to the switching center to be sent directly to the service  
platform, and wherein the IN query is not sent to the NP server via the service platform.

16. (Currently Amended) A system according to claim 15, further comprising the step of:

responding via the server to the IN query by stating routing information relating to a gateway in the basic network provided that the call is not being initiated in the basic network.

17. (Currently Amended) A method for handling intelligent network (IN) calls from a first identified by a switching center having a Service Switching Point (SSP) functionality, the method comprising the steps of:

providing an IN query in the first switching center relating to an IN call after identifying the IN call;

sending receiving the IN query in to a second server, known as an number portability (NP) server, wherein the IN query appears to the switching center to be sent directly to a service platform having Service Control Point (SCP) functionality, and wherein the IN query is not sent to the NP server via the service platform;

utilizing the IN query in the NP server to determine which a network operator is supporting the IN call; and

passing the IN query to a service platform of a third server having associated with an intelligent network of the network operator so that the IN query appears to the service platform to come from the first switching center.

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